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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **Nurse Locker Burglaries**

**Cases:** 09-3410975, 09-5060480 and 09-5060510

**Date:** 10/26/09 and 12/07/09

**Times:** During business hours/week days

**Locations:** Seton Main Hospital (1201 W. 38<sup>th</sup> St.),  
Seton NW Hospital (11111 Research Blvd Nb Svc Rd)  
South Austin Hospital (901 W. Ben White Blvd.)

**Suspect:** Deborah Berry Yankowski, White Female, (10-12-65)

### **Narrative:**

On October 26, 2009 and December 7, 2009 Deborah Berry Yankowski entered nurse locker rooms at Seton Main Hospital, Seton NW Hospital and South Austin Hospital dressed in medical attire (scrubs and/or a lab coat). She took various items, including credit cards, from several lockers, often cutting the locks from the lockers.

She used the stolen credit cards at different locations. She went into the Walmart store located at Norward Park Blvd. and a surveillance camera caught her vehicle on tape.

The vehicle is a 2007 Black Nissan Xterra SUV TXLP 194YMB.

Yankowski is believed to be based out of the Houston area where it is believed she has committed over 10 similar thefts. She was recently arrested in Houston and could have relocated to the Austin area.

Yankowski is currently wanted by Austin Police for credit/debit card abuse and out of Fort Bend County for Fraud – Illegally using credit cards.



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Anyone with information about this incident is asked to contact the Austin Police Department's North Bureau Detectives at 512-974-5584 or Crimestoppers at 512-472-TIPS (8477).

This case remains under investigation by APD North Bureau Detectives.

**Media Advisory:** Surveillance photos are attached.

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